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Board of Selectmen
Tuesday, November 16, 2010 @ 7:30PM
Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall

Members present: First Selectman Paul Roy, Philip Wilhelmy, Karl Trybus, Sandra Gesek, Annmarie Drugonis, John Conroy, and Town Counsel Colleen Fries.

Not present: W. Kurt Miller.

Others present: Howard Simpson, Ed Pollack, Jim Garofolo, Kris Bourret, Gary Bruce, Sean Walsh, Frank Loda, Harry Marks, Chris Motasky, Bill Paecht, Dave Bitso, Mark Thompson, Steve Kulas, and Deborah Ice.

ITEM # 1 – Call meeting to order.

The First Selectman opened the meeting at 7:30PM.

ITEM # 2 – Pledge of Allegiance.

Everyone saluted the Flag and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM # 3 – Approval of Minutes from Board of Selectmen Public Hearing on 10/19/10.

Motion to approve minutes from Board of Selectmen Public Hearing on 10/19/10.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: Karl Trybus

Vote: 4-Yes (Paul Roy, Philip Wilhelmy, Karl Trybus, Sandra Gesek) 0-No

2-Abstain (John Conroy, Annmarie Drugonis) 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 4 – Approval of Minutes from Special Board of Selectmen meeting on 10/19/10.

Motion to approve minutes from Special Board of Selectmen meeting on 10/19/10.

Motion: John Conroy Second: Philip Wilhelmy

Vote: 5-Yes (Paul Roy, Philip Wilhelmy, Karl Trybus, Sandra Gesek, John Conroy)

0-No 1-Abstain (Annmarie Drugonis) 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 5 – Approval of Minutes from Special Board of Selectmen Meeting on 11/9/10 at 7:15PM.

Motion to approve minutes from Special Board of Selectmen Meeting on 11/9/10 at 7:15PM.

Motion: Annmarie Drugonis Second: Philip Wilhelmy

Vote: 4-Yes (Paul Roy, Philip Wilhelmy, Sandra Gesek, Annmarie Drugonis) 0-No

2-Abstain (John Conroy, Karl Trybus) 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 6 – Approval of Minutes from Special Board of Selectmen Meeting on 11/9/10 at 7:30PM.

Motion to approve minutes from Special Board of Selectmen Meeting on 11/9/10 at 7:30PM.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy Second: Annmarie Drugonis

Vote: 4-Yes (Paul Roy, Philip Wilhelmy, Sandra Gesek, Annmarie Drugonis) 0-No

2-Abstain (John Conroy, Karl Trybus) 0-Disqualify

ITEM # 7 – First Selectman's Report.

- Hosted a ceremony for WWII Veterans at Strand Theater with the Secretary of State Susan Bysiewicz and presented certificates to the Veterans.
- Attended Naugatuck Valley CEDS Meeting. Presentation by Joe Carbone of The Workplace and spoke about jobs and the economy.
- Meeting with Valley leaders and State Labor Union officials and talked about efforts to keep Connecticut jobs for Connecticut workers.
- Meeting with representatives from ADS to resolve tax payment issues.
- Meeting with Seymour Pride members to discuss some of their plans for the coming year.
- Attended Toys for Tots kickoff Toy Drive is from November 10th to December 15th 2010. Town drop off locations include Town Hall, Police Station, Post Office and other locations. Police Department - "Fill the Cruiser Day" will be on December 11th at Stop & Shop from 9am to 3pm.
- Attended Economic Development Seminar at Northeast Utilities, discussions included Brownfields and Public-Private partnerships for investments.
- Met with representative from the Suzuki Music School. They want to become active in the community events such as First Saturday, Founder's Day and the Christmas Parade, for example.
- Meeting with Greater Bridgeport and Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization and discussed transportation issues and Greenway plans and funding.
- Attended with Tom Wallace of our Energy Committee the Green Expo put on by Dr. Energy Saver, a division of Basement Systems.
- Attended VCOG meeting and discussed Memorandum of Understanding between VCOG and Valley Transit District. Discussed Brownfields issues in the Valley including the Housatonic Wire site and funding availability.

ITEM # 8 – Public Comment.

- Deborah Ice, Seymour Animal Control Officer: Explains that there is a wild/feral cat problem throughout Town and would like funding for humane traps. There is a grant available through the Housing authority that will fund neutering some of the cats. These traps are approximately \$75.00 each and she needs at least 6, if not more. She would like the board to please consider funding some of these traps. Donations are welcome.
- Ed Pollack, 25 Walnut Street: Still wondering when he will get answers to his request for help for the water problem on his property. He received a letter from the First Selectman stating what the Town has done to help him so far this past year. He is not satisfied with the letter and feels that not enough is being done. Claims that the Town took responsibility for the flooding in 1999 and paid him a settlement.

ITEM # 9 – Approve 2011 Board of Selectmen Meeting Schedule.

Motion to approve the following 2011 Board of Selectmen Meeting Schedule.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy

Second: John Conroy

Vote: 6-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

0-Disqualify

2011 Board of Selectmen Meeting Schedule

Each meeting will be held in the Norma Drummer Room/Seymour Town Hall, 1 First Street, Seymour, CT

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AT 7:30PM

Motion to re-appoint Esther Rozum to Pearson Memorial for a 1-Year term expiring on 12/5/11.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy **Second: Annmarie Drugonis**
Vote: 6-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

Motion to re-appoint Susan DeBarber to Pearson Memorial for a 1-Year term expiring on 12/5/11.

Motion: Karl Trybus **Second: John Conroy**
Vote: 6-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

Motion to appoint Shelby Slie to the Recreation Commission for a 2-Year term expiring on 11/16/12.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy **Second: Karl Trybus**
Vote: 6-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

Motion to re-appoint Howard Simpson to the Regional Planning Committee for a 4-Year term expiring 12/3/14.

Motion: John Conroy **Second: Karl Trybus**
Vote: 6-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

ITEM #11 – Tax Refunds/Abatements.

Motion to approve tax refunds in the amount \$587.45.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy **Second: Karl Trybus**
Vote: 6-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

ITEM # 12 – Transfers.

Motion to transfer for Legal the amount of \$10,000.00 from Purchased Professional Services acct # 1-001-410-1530-470-330 into Legal Settlements acct # 1-001-410-1530-470-335 for CMED Settlement.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy **Second: Karl Trybus**
Vote: 6-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

ITEM # 13 – Correspondence.

- **Check Registers.**
- **Police Enhancement Funds.**
- **Copy of letter sent to Mr. Pollack at 25 Walnut Street.**
- **Letter from the Seymour EDC concerning the Economic Development Director position.**
- **Town Clerk Report for October 2010.**
- **FOI Response Policy, October 7, 2010.**
- **Letter from Colleen Fries regarding FOI Response Policy.**

ITEM # 14 – Other Business.

Motion to place on the table an invoice from Behavioral Health Consultants, LLC for the Police Department.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy **Second: Karl Trybus**
Vote: 6-Yes **0-No** **0-Abstain** **0-Disqualify**

The First Selectman was given the invoice from Behavioral Health Consultants, LLC, which includes a letter from the Director James Rascati explaining that it was his error in not sending the invoice to the Police Department in a timely manner.

Motion to pay the invoice from Behavioral Health Consultants, LLC for the Police Department for \$1,316.00.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy

Second: Karl Trybus

Rescind Motion: Philip Wilhelmy

Rescind Second: Karl Trybus

Questions arise to where the money is in the budget for this invoice and whether it is from this fiscal year or next fiscal year's budget.

Motion to table the invoice from Behavioral Health Consultants, LLC for the Police Department for \$1,316.00 until more information is received on where the funds are being taken from.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy

Second: Karl Trybus

Vote: 6-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

0-Disqualify

ITEM # 15 – Public Comment.

Mark Thompson, Chairman of the Board of Finance: Hands out a packet to the Board members concerning the F.O.I. Policy that the First Selectman put in place on October 7, 2010. He asks that this issue be placed on the Board of Selectmen agenda at their December 2010 meeting.

ITEM # 16 – Selectmen's Public Comment.

Philip Wilhelmy: Has several questions about the feral/wild cat problem that the Animal Control Officer spoke about. He also wonders if 6 traps will be enough for all of the cats and what is the next step and how do we fix this problem

Deborah Ice: States that there is grant money available to neuter the animals and there needs to be public awareness for people to take an active roll in solving this problem.

John Conroy: Would like the Board of Finance's concerns placed on the Agenda for the next Board of Selectmen meeting to discuss the F.O.I. Policy. Feels that volunteers should not have to do all of the work on F.O.I. requests due to not having access to all of the information like an employee would.

ITEM # 17 – Executive Session (Contract Negotiations, Pending Litigation, Personnel).

Motion to go into Executive Session at 8:02PM with Town Counsel Colleen Fries, Counsel Fran Teodosio and the Board of Selectmen to discuss pending litigation for Oakbridge Fallview Apartments vs. Town of Seymour and contract negotiations for the Police Department Union Contract.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy

Second: Karl Trybus

Vote: 6-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

0-Disqualify

Motion to come out of executive session at 8:24PM with no motions or action taken.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy

Second: John Conroy

Vote: 6-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

0-Disqualify

Motion to accept the Police Department Union Contract as recommended by Counsel Fran Teodosio.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy

Second: John Conroy

Vote: 6-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

0-Disqualify

Motion to authorize Town Counsel to negotiate with Oakbridge Management for Fallview Apartments per discussion in executive session.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy

Second: John Conroy

Vote: 6-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

0-Disqualify

ITEM # 18 - Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn at 8:25PM.

Motion: Philip Wilhelmy

Second: Annmarie Drugonis

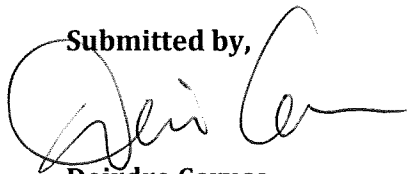
Vote: 6-Yes

0-No

0-Abstain

0-Disqualify

Submitted by,



**Deirdre Caruso,
Recording Secretary**

Reviewed by,



**Paul F. Roy,
First Selectman**